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SCHEDULE PROPOSAL

TO: MELBA BOLING, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE
SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

THROUGH: EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR POLICY

FROM: Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense for
International Security Affairs

REQUEST: Dinner hosted by Secretary of State Christopher in honor of PRC State Council Foreign Affairs Office Director Liu ("LEO") Huaqiu. Liu is considered the rough equivalent to our National Security Advisor.

PURPOSE: To dialogue in a social setting with a senior Chinese government official on Sino-American relations and to set the tone for Defense Minister General Chi ("CHIRR") Haotian's visit to the US during April 8-16, 1996.

BACKGROUND:



DATE AND TIME: Thursday, March 7, 1996 at 1930 hours (tentative)

LOCATION: Secretary Christopher's dining room at the Department of State

PARTICIPANTS: US side: SECDEF; SECSTATE; others to be determined.

Chinese side: Liu, Ambassador Li Daoyu, DATT MG Chen Kaizeng; others to be determined.

OUTLINE OF EVENTS: Greeting, informal discussion of Sino-American military and security issues, possible toast, delivery of letter to Liu for Defense Minister Chi.

REMARKS REQUIRED: Talking points, toast, and letter will be provided.

MEDIA COVERAGE: None.

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APPROVED _____ DATE: _____ TIME: _____

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Director ISA/AP has seen: _____